

Putting **T**he **P**ieces **T**ogether

Berkley Middle School



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CONGRATULATIONS
CLASS OF 2007

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2007 Dedication



The person we dedicate this year's yearbook to is a very special teacher. She has affected each and every one of our lives in many different ways.

She is a very kind-hearted woman that was always there for us. Whenever we needed help or someone to talk to, she never stops to think twice to listen.

Her intelligence and compassionate nature is the reason why so many of us have excelled in literacy. She's helped us to accomplish many tasks, and prepare us for the future. She is an inspiration for each and every student. Always having the best, "you can do it" attitude when giving us the encouragement we need.

Words cannot express how much of an amazing open minded person she really is. When we look back and remember everything she has done for us, we can definitely say she has changed us for the better. This is why we would like to dedicate this year's 2007 yearbook to the lovely Mrs. Kerr.

Thank you so much for your continuous dedication in helping the students of the Berkley Middle School to achieve and reach for the stars.

2007 Yearbook Staff



The Yearbook Staff would like to send all their best wishes to the Class of 2007. We hope you enjoy this year's book as much as we did putting it together. Each year is quite a challenge when it comes to creating a book filled with memories. But for some reason this year seemed to come together with ease. It has been a year filled with fun and awesome times. We truly wish only good things for your future and that you achieve in all your adventures. We only hope that no matter what life has in store you, good or bad, that you hold your head high and walk with pride because you are the very best.

You are a Berkley Middle School student.

A picture is
worth a thousand
words



As the days go by and our time as eighth graders rapidly decreases, I think about how many things I am going to miss next year. When I think back to when we were all just 5th graders entering this new school, we look up to the bigger 8th graders. But now we are the ones that the 5th graders look up to, the big kids of the school. Through out the years, this place has become our home away from home, and these kids have become our second family. Walking down the familiar halls, we have always seen an old, friendly face looking our way, whether it is a teacher's or a friend's. I think I can speak for the whole class when I say, we are going to miss being the big kids of the school, being looked up to, and most of all, that very familiar face

always looking our way. It is reassuring to know that your friends always have your back, and you always have theirs. We stuck together through thick and thin, and always made it out remaining best friends.

Now everything changes. Our class is splitting up, and every one is finding their own path. Most of us, however, will most likely remain good friends, even if we are heading in different directions. Sure we will make new friends, but nothing can compare to the friendships made at the Berkley Middle. Remember, whenever you are in a bad situation, there will always be a friendly face to help you through.

Whatever road you decide to take, I am sure that everyone in the class will find their own path, follow it, and hopefully pursue their dreams. I would like to wish all of you the best of luck for high school and beyond.

*Ryan Bernard,
President*



Award Winning Performance To...

Mr. Thomas J. Lynch
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Eighth Grade Students:
On behalf of all of the teacher, instructional aides, office staff, and employees of the Berkley Public Schools, I would like to congratulate you on successfully completing the eighth grade. The Class of 2007 has truly acted as positive role models for our younger students this year.

For most of you, the Berkley School is the only middle school you have known. Regardless of the middle school you have attended, you will assuredly always remember these four years. For the middle school years are the ones during which you learn as you begin to mature into adults. You also become more responsible for your own actions, academics, and behavior. When you entered kindergarten you learned how to work cooperatively with your classmates. You strengthened your

letter and number recognition and learned how to write your name. By the end of kindergarten a few of you were reading! In grade one all of you learned to read and you each began to learn how to work independently. Each school year you have increased your readability level and knowledge base in each subject area. With the support of your parents, your teachers have provided you with a desire to learn.

As you leave us and enter your high school years and beyond, I hope that you never lose your desire to learn and that you always set goals for yourself. Without this strong desire to learn and without goals, you will become stagnant and will not reach your full potential. I am very confident that you will continue to thrive in school and that you will reach your potential in life.

I wish you the best of luck!



Mrs. Adams
Mrs. Albernaz
Mrs. Allain
Judy Amaral
Ms. Ambrose
Mr. Arruda
Ms. Botelho

Mrs. Bousquet
Ms. Buvarsky
Mrs. Clark
Ms. De Nardo
Ms. Denzer
Mrs. Donovan
Mrs. Dunderdale-Smith

Diane Enos
Ms. Freelove
Mrs. Furrh
Mrs. Gallagher
Ms. Hadley
Mrs. Howell
Ms. Hudson-Fahey

Mrs. Katelyn
Mrs. Kerr
Ms. Kimball
Ms. Krause
Mr. Kruczek
Mrs. Lafond
Mrs. Lahmers

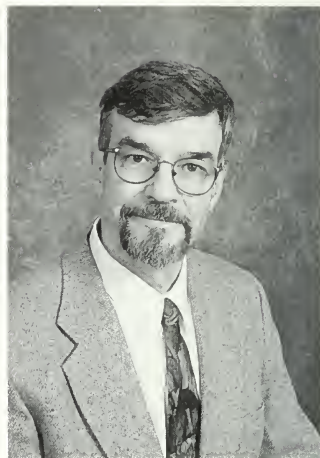
The Inspirational Leaders

T. Ross Edminster
Principal

Greetings to the Class of 2007: The 2006-2007 school year has been excellent. As students, you have involved yourselves in challenging academic programs and after school activities and sports.

Berkley Middle School may be small but it is a source of pride to students, staff, parents and the community. You have made the most of what we have offered and shown your very best effort. You control your destiny. Seek trusted advice and make good decisions.

Continue to strive for excellence and success will surely follow!



Mrs. Maguire
Mr. Marcel
Mrs. Marshall
Dr. Martinez
Mr. McCarthy
Mr. Mendes
Ms. Mendes



Mrs. Mendoza
Ms. Mendoza
Mr. Miller
Mrs. Morley
Ms. Mottozo
Mrs. Paull
Mrs. Perra

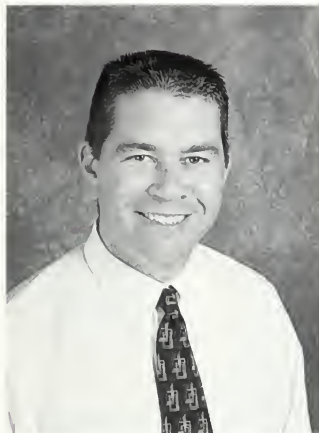


Mrs. Perry
Ms. Pierce
Mr. Pierce
Mrs. Pontes
Mrs. Porter
Mrs. Rafferty
Mrs. Reed



of tomorrows future!

Mr. Blaisdell
Vice-Principal



Dear Class of 2007,
Congratulations on the successful completion of eighth grade! I wish to thank you for your warm welcome to Berkley this year! When you leave Berkley Middle School, I hope you remember the skills that the teachers and staff have taught you. Work hard and study hard. Do not take anything for granted. If you have a goal, reach for that goal and do not let any roadblock stop you. If a roadblock presents itself, overcome it and continue to reach for your goal. Do your best to make the right choices. Good luck in both high school and beyond!



Ms. Reposa
Mrs. Rockcliffe
Mrs. Romero
Mrs. Ruggiero
Mrs. Sangster
Mrs. Sanson

Mr. Santos
Mrs. Silvia
Mr. Silvia
Ms. St. Laurent
Ms. Sullivan
Mrs. Trotter

Mr. Welch
Ms. Whittaker
Ms. Williams

8 WHITE



Rachel Adams



Julia Carlos
"Julita"



Aimee Cochran



Coley Carlstrom
"Coleslaw"



Desiree Carpenter



Nathaniel
Chamberland
"Nate"



Brittany DeCosta
"Velcro"



Rosemary Cordeiro
"Rosie"



Michael Fruzzeti
"Mike"



Seth Jones
"Jones"



Benjamin Kubik
"Ben"



Sadie Leal
"Razor"



Michael Paris
"Mike"



Paige Medeiros



Brett Milne



Arielle Pacheco



David Peyton



Myles Prudente



Daniel Reeves
"Dan"



Brooke Reynolds
"Magnet"



Vincent Strother
"Vince"



Lucas Tourgee
"Luke"



Joshua Zajdel
"Josh"

8 YELLOW



Sarah Baillargeon
"Apache"



Ryan Bernard



Anthony Geller



Kaitlyn Burnett
"Katie"



Stephen Couitt



Kaitlyn Dahlborg
"Katie"



Amy Entel



Matthew DeCosta
"Matt"



Cameron Goyette
"Cam"



Allison Giuva
"Kemosobi"



Andrew Pope



Krystal Hastings



Nicholas Houghton
"Nick"



Lucas Kleinen
"Luke"



Jessica Laudati
"Jess"



William Sheredy
"Will"



Jessica Santos
"Jeka"



Ryan Santos



Michael St. Claire
"Mike"



Michael Taberski
"Mike"



Hayley Thomas
"Halis"



Carly Turpel
"Carlita"



Rachel Ward

8 BLUE



Jessica Allen
"Jessi"



Emma Bernard



Kyle Carlos



Rachel Arthur



Paige Bendinelli



Darian Carpenter



Kailyn Castro
"Kay"



Jake DeSousa



Matthew DiMarco
"Matt"



Brett Edwards



Alex Estrella



David Gagne
"Woobie"



Briana Lopes
"BriBri"



Kayla Hammond
"Kay"



Michael Johnson
"Mike"



Kevin Lafferty



John Nordeste



Willem Matheson



Kaitlyn McGuire
"Kate"



Hailey Meiggs
"Meiggzie"



Brandon Nardella



Christina Lucini
"Cici"



Kevin Seely
"Seely"

8 GREEN



Desmond Clohecy
"DJ"



Samantha Eisle
"Sammy"



Ryan Fontaine
"Ry"



Jordan Greene



Cameron Durocher
"Cam"



Vera Goncalves



Cortlynn Hyson



Natalie Klimas



Kiley Latour
"Kippy"



Zachary Mills
"Zach"



Kristie Lee Marvel



Edward Matanes
"Ed"



Kevin McKenzie
"McKenzie"



Lance Ruggiero
"Sling-Shot"



Phillip Pacheco
"Phil"



Viqvan Smith
"V"



Zachary Souza
"Zach"



Taryn Spagna
"Spazy"



Rebecca Sylvia
"Becca"

8 RED



Katryna Daigle
"Trina"



Shelby Fontaine
"Shelly"



Ashley Infussi



Dylan Jones



Rebecca LeBlanc



Katelyn McCarthy



Jessica McElroy
"Jesska"



Brittany Myers
"Touche"



Corey Paiva



Olivia Parry
"Olive"



Sarina Rosa
"INA"



Ross Pemberton



John Pinto
"Pinto"



Nicholas Robak
"Nick"



Lee Anne Scardino



Nicholas Sentiger
"Nick"



Nolan Shore

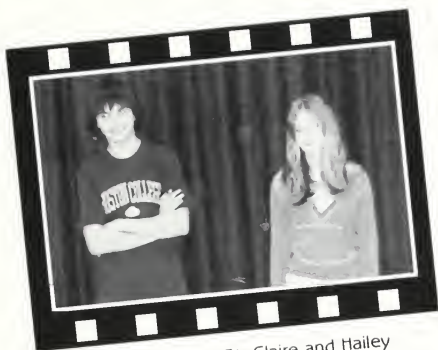


Eric Strickler



Mark Wade
"Marky"

Look Who Made the Cut!



Most Artistic: Michael St. Claire and Hailey Meiggs



Most Likely to Remain Friends: Katie Burnett and Jess Allen



Most Likely to Remain Friends: Lance Ruggiero and Anthony Geller

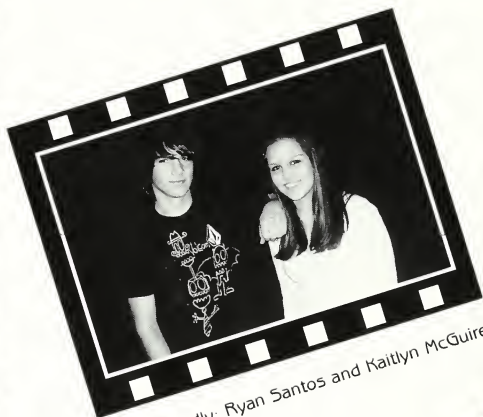


Look Who Made The Cut!

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GROOVY!
* * *



Most Mischievous: John Pinto and Courtlyn Hyson



Most Friendly: Ryan Santos and Kaitlyn McGuire



Most Enthusiastic: Arielle Pacheco and Myles Prudente



Look Who Made the Cut!



Most Talkative: Ryan Fontaine and Sadie Leal



Most Stylish: Josh Zajdel and Sam Eisele



Most Stylish,
Ross Pemberton and LEEANNE SCARDINO

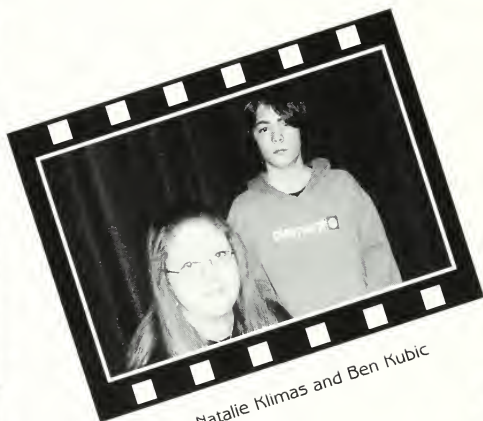


Look Who Made the Cut!

FRIENDS!



Most Likely to Succeed: Ryan Bernard and Andrew Pope



Most Shy: Natalie Klimas and Ben Kubic



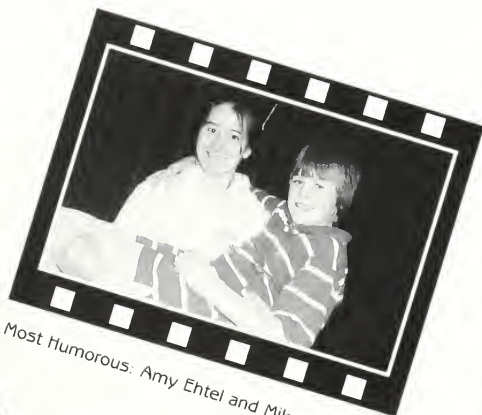
Most Athletic: Alex Estrella and Carly Turpel



Look Who Made the Cut!



Most Perky: Allie Guiva and Kevin McKenzi



Most Humorous: Amy Ehtel and Mike Fruzzetti



Time To Step Up

Paul Aguiar
Nathaniel Alves
Jacob Anuszyk
Hailey Arruda
Brian Bairos
Hailey Barboza
Katie Barboza



Jenna Berthiaume
Daniel Bickford
Patricia Borges
Samuel Brandzen
Matthew Brown
Jonathan Carmo



Thomas Carroll
Lauren Cassidy
Edward Cayton IV
Brienne Charamba
Sarah Como



Meghan Connolly
Jonathan Cooper
Alexander Costa
Michael Cusack



Jessica D'Entremont
Michael Delisle
Dawn DiMarco



Shannon DiIorio
Sean Donnelly



Gilbert Drewett



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and Take Action!



Phyllice DuPoux
Gregory English
Colbey Fournier
Brianna Geppner
Joseph Goldstein
Chelsea Gordon
Allison Gouveia



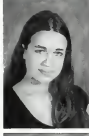
Chelsea Gouveia
Paige Gouveia
Zachery Gouveia
Katrina Gronlund
Christopher Guinazzo
Joshua Hanson



Matthew Hermenau
Jennifer Hough
Kelly Jordan
Tyler Knight
Jacob Kress



Rachael Kubik
Jacob Lahmers
Medora LaPlante
Danielle Lawrence



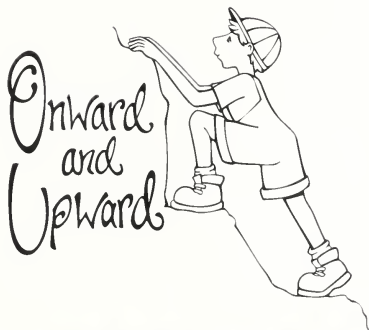
Zachary Lefrancois
Ashley Leite
Samantha Ligols



Sarah Luke
Rebecca Lynch



Brittany Lyons



What You Believe In

Lindsey Macedo
Lucas Machamer
Curtis Maderios
Andrew Mahoney
Samantha Maniatakos
Lauren Mason



Steven Masterson
Breahna Mattie
Brandon May
Lauren McCaffrey
Devin McElroy
Paul McQuinn



Shannon Medeiros
Jared Mello
James Mulvey
Jada Myers
Sean Myron



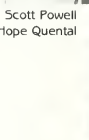
Lindsay Nardella
Justin O'Brien
Cullen O'Leary
Matthew Perkins



Joseph Perry
Anthony Pezza
Amy Pine



Scott Powell
Hope Qental



Eric Rizzotti



You Can Achieve In



Nicole Robitaille
Richard Rose
Jacob Salpietro
George Silveira Jr.
James Simanski



Delanie Smith
Anastasia Sousa
Chabelli Souza
Emily Tavares



Adam Thomas
Tanner Tremblay
Brett Turner
Thomas Veliotis



Bethany Vest
Danielle Walker
Mitchell Weeks



Jillian Welch
Andrew Wood



Jacob Worsley



Class of 2009

Kelsey Almada
Victoria Almada
Karissa Alves
Nicole Arruda
Derek Bagge
Hevin Baillargeon
Victoria Besulieu
Alyssa Berg



Travis Botelho
Deidra Buissereth
Meghan Cabeceras
Katelyn Cappello
Garrett Carlos
Meagan Carreira
Brittany Cayton
Courtney Chaves



Cameron Christo
Brendan Clark
Nicholas Clohecy
Jennifer Collier
Tobias Connolly
Kevin Cordeiro
Joseph Correia IV
Nicholas Costa



Makayla Cummings
Stephanie Daignault
Kristyn DeSousa
Kyle Dunham
Thomas Eisele
Jena Francis
Ryan FreeLove
Emily Gardner



Michael Garratt
Jonathan Giusti
Vanessa Goncalves
Kathryn Gordon
Deanna Gouvia
Louis Graziano
Dylan Greene
Cody Harding



John Hill
Molly Horan
Matthew Houghton
Matthew Johnson
Kelsey Jorge
Michaela Keene
Nathaniel Keich
Brogan Kilroy



Matthew Kubik
Ashley Kupis
Matthew Lafferty



Ashlan Lajoie
Eric Lapointe
Briana Lavoie



GRADE
6

Class of 2009



Connor Leonard
Stephen Lucini
Bryanna Machie
Cameron Madden
Zachary Marshall
Brandon Martin
Kelsey Martin
Adam Martins



Alexander Mastro
Brian McCarthy
Ryan McFeil
Kaylyn Mills
Jennifer Mitton
Katie Moreau
Jesse Moreira
Brittany Hepini



Tricia Meuffell
Larissa Nowak
Benjamin Pereira
Ashley Pittsley
Derek Pleiss
Amber Quintel
Courtney Rezendes
Michael Rezendes



Amy Santos
Jessica Seely
Claudia Sentiger
Michael Sheredy
Darrell Shing Jr.
Kyle Silva
Kyle Simmons
Conor Slack



Abbey Smith
Paige Soares
Vanessa Souza
Kyle Strickler
Joshua Strolsky
Courtney Swale
Jasmine Syed
Amanda Taberski



Colin Toupin
Steven Tremblay
Wyatt Trotter
Ashley Truman
Samantha Verville
Matthew Vinal
Daniel White
Sarah Woodward

Joshua Wright
Amanda Wyman



GRADE
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★
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Class of 2010!



Olivia
Ackernecht



Nicholas Aguiar



Matthew Al-Sip



Jayda Alvarez



Elizabeth
Amaral



Alexa Ambrose



Emily Amrock



Lucas Beaulieu



Kara Botelho



Andrew
Bourassa



Michael
Brennan



Christopher
Bumpus Jr.



Sydney
Calvano



Stephanie
Cannistraro



Lori Carlos



Rachel Carroll



Jennifer
Cassidy



Myles Catania



Ian
Chamberlain



Ciera Clark



Jacob Clark



Marissa Coelho



Taylor Coelho



Adam Couitt



Christopher
D'Entremont



David Dinunno



Jessica Duffy



Amelia Dupont



Josselyn Ellis



Keith English



Zachary Estrella



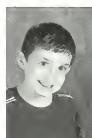
Steven Ferreira



Ryan Foley



Ryan Frade



Dominic Geller



Joseph
Gouveia



Emily Graca



Melissa Guirand



Hailey Hastings



Bridget Horan



Marc Horton



Jacob Hultman



Taylor Javery



Stephanie
Jordan



Hannah
Kennedy



Nicholas Kerns



Elizabeth
Kleinen



Dylan Kilmas

Class of 2010!



Abigail
Laliberte



Jacob Langelo



Kaylie Leite



Tyler Lima



Nicole
Lombardi



Veronica Lopes



Alexander
Madureira



Presley
Mahanna



Michael
Mahoney



Jessica
Mardirosian



Benjamin
Martin



Madison
Martinez



Eric Martins



Daniel Matanes



John Mattie



Meghan
McCarthy



Shayne McElroy



Samuel
McGowan



Matthew Muncy



Hannah O'Leary



Victoria
Pacheco



Jacob Parish



Spencer
Perruzzi



Gilbert
Pontes III



Brittany Pothier



Brian Powell



Noah Quental



Maiya Raggiani



Keagan Rego



Jayson
Roderick



John Silva



Alissa Simons



Adonis Souza



Brianna Spagna



Cameron
Spellman



Morgan
Stockwell



Courtney Terrasi



Kayla Tonucci



Corey Turpel



Michael Valey



Emily Verville



Matthew Vesey



Jake Wade



Rachel White



Courtney
Whyte



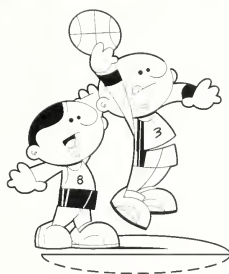
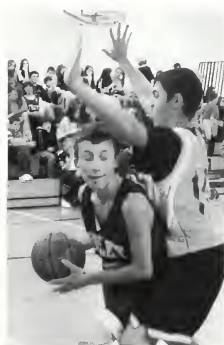
Basketball



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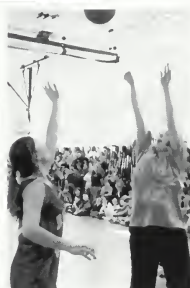
Eagles Soar to the Championship!



Lady Eagles Are All Over This!



Faculty Taking it to the Hoop!

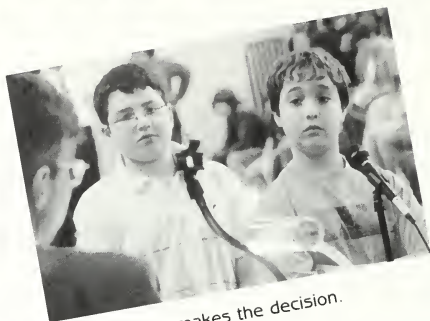


The Dodge Ball Tournament!

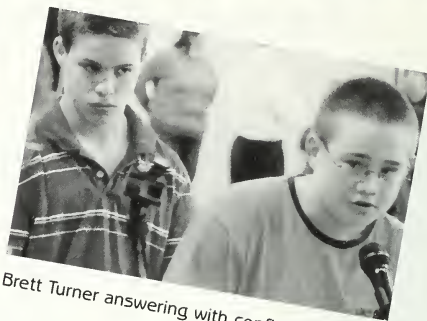


Award Winning Performances!





Travis Botelho makes the decision.

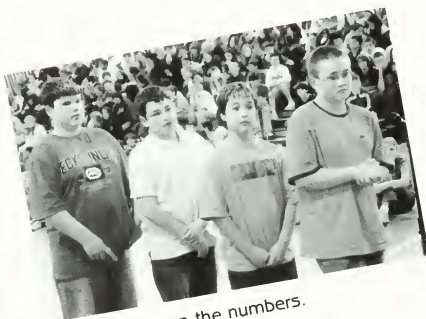


Brett Turner answering with confidence.

Geo Bee Champion!



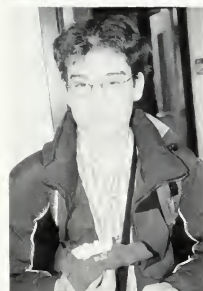
Travis Botelho walks away with the prize.



Harrowing down the numbers.



Student Council Making a Difference!



And I would
Gladly stand up...
Next to you

*Let
Freedom
Ring*

Never forget
our Fallen
Soldiers. May
they all come
back safe

There ain't No
doubt I love
this land



 **UNITED**
We Stand ★

God Bless
The U.S.A!

Dancing With the Stars!



We've Only Just Begun...



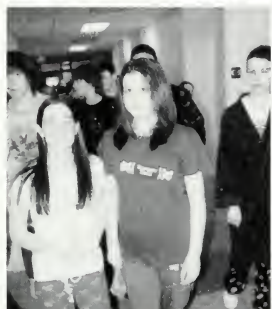
Hats on to a great day!



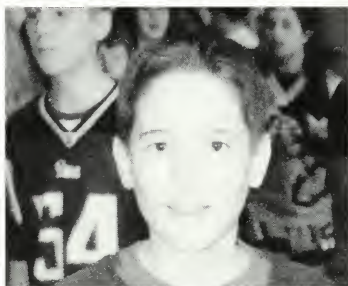
Double Trouble Headed Our Way!



Feeling Comfortable With Yourself?



Gotcha Your Game On?



Just Another Wild Week at BMS!





***Congratulations
To the
Class of
2007***

***Dunkin Donuts
Of
Berkley***

*128 Myricks Street
Berkley, MA 02779
508-977-9992*



Never Lose Your Sense of Wonder...

Dear Lance,

I am very proud of
you!
Best of luck at Coyle.
Love Grandpa



Carly,

Congratulations to a special
Granddaughter. As you start the
next part of your life's journey
remember, work hard and enjoy.
I know you will do well.
Love Mimi

Rachel
Congratulations!
Good Luck in High School!
Love
Roy & Sandy

Krystal
Congratulations!
We Are so proud of you.
Love
Mom, Dad, Hailey &
Devin



Ryan
and
Emma,
We are so proud
you!
You are doing
an awesome job.
Love
Mom, Dad and Sam





Jessie
We are so proud of
you, we knew you
could do it!
Good Luck in High School
Love
Mom, Dad, & Jacob

Congratulations Kailyn
We are all very proud of you. Keep
up the good work.
We love you!
Love Mom, Matt,
Daddy, Cindy,
Grandma, Papa and Mikey



Congratulations Kevin!
We're so proud of you and we love
you very much.
Have fun in High School!
Love
Mom, Dad &
Matthew



Michael....Congratulations!!
We are so proud of all you've
accomplished and the wonderful,
caring young man you've become.
We know you have a bright future
and we'll always be beside you.
We love you..... Mom, Dad, Matthew & Daniel



Congratulations
Rachel!
Our very best to you
in all you do!
Love
Nana, Grampa, Uncle Peter
and Aunt Tracy



Congratulations Fred!
I am so proud of you!
Keep up the good
work.
Olive Juice..From Ed!

Luke
Since the first time you figured out
how to get past the gate we knew
nothing would stop you....
Love Mom, Dad, Gram,
Papa, and Auntie Chris.....XOXO



Amy.....
We Love you and are so
proud of you! Keep up the
good work!
Love , Mom, Dad,
Stacy & your pets



Brook,
Grampa, I were sent an angel
when you were born. Your
smile and love has made such a
difference in our lives. You
have been a friend, helper and inspiration
in our lives. If you believe in yourself
nothing will hold you back. We love you
very much and wish you success in all that
you do.
Love Grampa & Mema

Congratulations Eric:
We are so proud of you.
Good Luck in high school
and good luck in life.
Our prayers are with
you. Keep being
you.....you are a great
person,
Love



Dad, Mom, Kyle and Kaitlyn

It's All About You Kid!

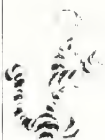


Congratulations Lance,
And the Class of
2007
Best of Luck
In High School...
Mom & Dad
A.K.A....
Mr. & Mrs. R



John...

We are proud of you and all the
effort you put into
academic, social, &
spiritual training. You
have always been a
blessing to us. Your
success is a journey
that will influence those around
you..... Love



Memere and Papa

CONGRATULATIONS
TO THE CLASS OF ..
2006
BEST WISHES,
THE BERKLEY FIRE
DEPT....



Carly....
We know how hard you've worked
to get to this day and are so proud of
the person you have become.
Congratulations !!

Love
Mom, Dad and Corey



Josh....



CONGRATULATIONS!!
You will always be our
shining star.
Good Luck in High
School...
Love Mom & Dad

Good luck on your adventures of
high school....

Remember where you come from
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I Believe in Things Unseen...

Congratulations Taryn!

Good Luck in High School.

We are very proud of you.

Love

**Dad, Mom, Kayla Brianna &
Nick**



Congratulations Lance...

We are very proud of you!

Love

Nannie, Uncle and Alyssa

Carly,

You make us proud every day.

Love

Auntie, Uncle Brian and Timmy

Jordan

We are so proud of you

and

all that you accomplished.

Love Mom, Dad & Dylan



Ryan.....

Good luck in High School.

We are very proud of you!

Love

Mom, Dad, Keith and Shelby

Dear Rachel,

Congratulations!

You worked hard!

**Best wishes in high school and
beyond...**

Love

Susie, Larry & Ally



Michael
We are very
proud of you.

Keep working hard.

Love

Mom, Dad and Amanda



Dear Brooke

**You are a great young lady who
holds a special place in our hearts.**

Enjoy your high school years...

Love Michael & Carol

(your second mother-

Remember the fun

we had in N.Y.C.)



Jessi....

We are so very proud of you.

Reach for the stars!!!

Love

Mom, Dad, Justin & Jake

Wow!

Unbelievable, Fantastic!

**You and your achievements have left
quite an impression in Berkley.**

We are all very proud of you!

Love

**Johnathan, Kayla, Mallory, Melissa,
Rob & Vincent**

In Messages of a Dream...



Kyle....
We couldn't be prouder
of how hard you have
worked in middle
school!

You are an awesome
son.

Enjoy high school

Love

Mom, Dad, Jeffrey & Garrett

Hey there
Rachel.....
We are very
proud of you.

Keep it up!

Love and miss you.....

Auntie Sandy & Uncle Tony



The sky is the limit Cam....

Reach for the stars!!!!

Love

Mom, Dad & Britt.

Carly
Congratulations to our
"star."

As usual, we are very
proud of you.

Love and god Bless
Nana & Grandpa Joe



Christina.....

We are so proud of you and the lovely young
lady you
have become.

Never change who you are!

Good luck in Coyle!

Love

Mom, Dad, Gregory,
Mike and Stephen



I Believe in What You Are...

Brooke Mom and Dad are proud of you for succeeding. Keep up the great work! Love Mom, Dad & Gypsy	Rachel.... Everything you do amazes us! Watching you become the young lady you are leads only to believe that you have the all potential to be someone special in the is world.... Love... Uncle Timmy & Auntie Sue 
Lance Your achievements are as special as you. Congratulations! We love you.... Mom, Dad & OJ	Congratulations Sadie! We are so very proud of you. Keep up the good work... Love Mom, dad & Jared 
 Shelby... We are very proud of you. Good luck in High School.... Love Mom, Dad, Keith, & Ryan	Kaitlyn..... You Rock! We are so very proud of you! Love Mom, Dad & Sadie 
Rachel..... I'm very proud of you and good luck in the future... Love Always Gramma 	Sweetface.... Words cannot describe how proud I am of you and all that you have achieved. Keep up the hard work and don't forget to reach for the stars. Love Mommy 

Because You Love Me...

Allie.....

We are all so proud of you. You are becoming a beautiful, and confident young woman.

Keep it up!

*Love, Mom, Dad, Katherine,
Julia & Mikey*

*Congratulations
Zachary!!*

You have made us so proud!

Good Luck in High School

*Love
Dad & Mom*

John

Your awesome character is well demonstrated in your conduct and application of effort. We are truly proud of you and your accomplishments. You are an inspiration to all. May God bless you in your journeys.

Love

Mom, Dad and Kelsey-Rose

Rachel

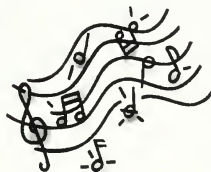
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You will truly be going places in life.
Enjoy all your adventures and never give up on living your dreams*

*Love your cousins....
Josh, Jessy & Becky*



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There will be mountains to climb,
rivers to cross....
All things you will endeavor...
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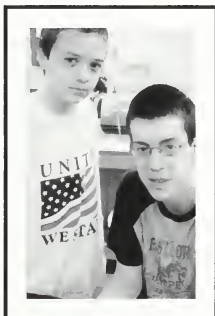
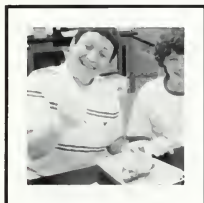
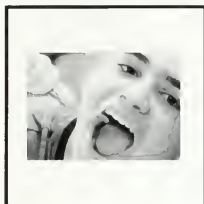
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Sincerely, Shelly E. Parris

Frog Legs Anyone?



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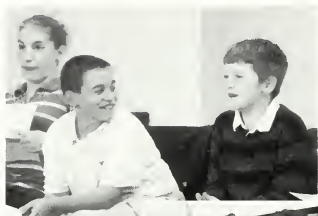
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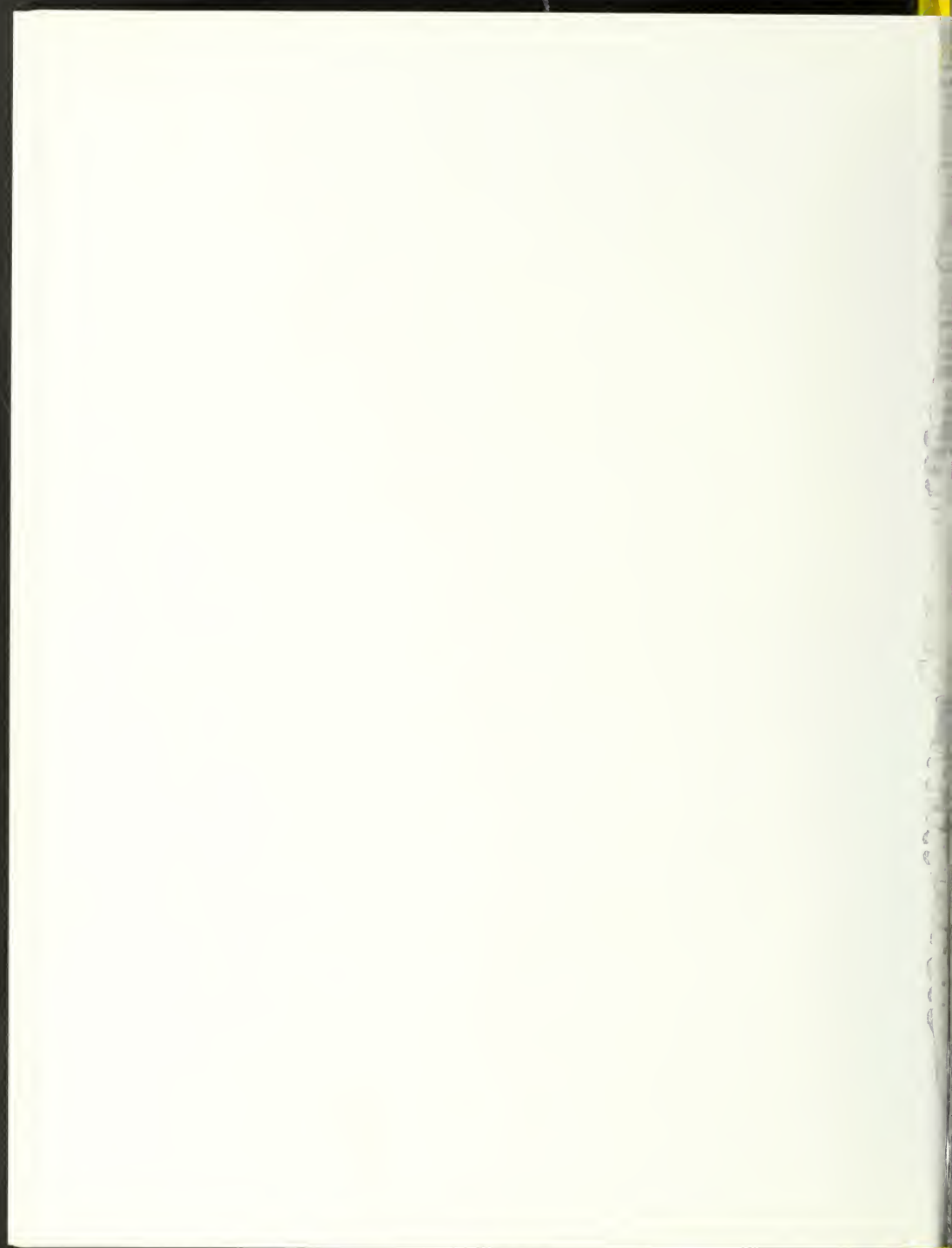


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A YEAR IN REVIEW



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US SHARES SET RECORD HIGH

U.S. stocks rose to a record high on October 18 when the Dow Jones Industrial average passed 12,000 for the first time in history. However, as Wall Street celebrated this new benchmark, market experts were skeptical. The record-high is reportedly overrated—experts caution that a few rising stocks do not indicate the actual status of the stock market or economic growth.



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FIRST FEMALE SPEAKER

This year marked a historic moment in the House of Representatives. Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) was elected America's first female Speaker of the House. Upon taking the floor, Pelosi proclaimed, "This is a historic moment, for Congress, and for the women of this country. It is a moment for which we have waited more than 200 years." Pelosi plans to take on the broadest ethics and lobbying revision since the Watergate era.

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WHO SELECTS NEW LEADER

Bird flu expert Dr. Margaret Chan was selected by the World Health Organization (WHO) to be the next director-general. Dr. Chan's expertise was highly valued by the WHO. She confronted the first human outbreak of the avian flu in 1997 and she was credited with successfully defeating Hong Kong's 2003 outbreak of severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS). Chan was the first Chinese national to be selected for such a high-ranking U.N. post.

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CASTRO TRANSFERS POWER

After 47 years in power, Cuban President Fidel Castro handed over control of Cuba to his brother Raul. The 80-year-old Castro stepped down due to medical reasons.

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LIQUIDS & GELS BECOME TABOO

In August, British officials uncovered a plot to create explosives onboard an airplane by mixing liquids and gels. U.S. and British security was accordingly elevated, and travelers were not allowed to bring lotions, beverages or makeup in their carry-on baggage.

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DEMOCRATS WIN HOUSE & SENATE

For the first time in 12 years, the Democrats won the majority in the House of Representatives. The mid-term elections also meant a victory for the Democrats in the Senate.

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A DAY WITHOUT IMMIGRANTS

May 1, 2006, marked a Day Without Immigrants in select cities across the nation. Organizers of the event hoped that the day would impact restrictions on immigration by exposing the country's reliance on immigrant workers. Chicago had one of the largest turnouts—about 300,000 demonstrators marched downtown.

VERDICT REACHED FOR SADDAM

Almost three years after his capture, former Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was sentenced to death. Hussein was found guilty of committing crimes against humanity. The verdict in the Hussein trial was delivered on November 5, 2006—only two days before the U.S. mid-term elections—and the execution occurred on December 30, 2006.

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DISCOVERY LIGHTS UP THE NIGHT

The Space Shuttle Discovery successfully lifted off from the Kennedy Space Center at 8:47 p.m. EST on December 9. It was only the 29th evening launch out of NASA's 117 shuttle flights. Discovery's first flight took place on August 30, 1984, and it has now successfully completed over 30 missions. Discovery traveled to the International Space Station to make repairs and landed back on Earth 13 days later.

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**SHRIMP SAVE LIVES**

Who knew that tiny shrimp can save a soldier's life? SAM Medical Products of Portland, Ore., developed a pourable bandage called Celox that is made of Chitosan, a structural element of shrimp shells. Celox is poured directly into a bleeding wound and applied pressure causes the positively charged Celox granules to bond with negatively charged red blood cells. The Celox creates a gel-like mass that stops bleeding. Since Celox is useful for both surface injuries and major wounds, it is planned to hit war zones by the end of 2007 with FDA approval.

IMPRESSIVE PROGRESS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CANCER

For the second year in a row, the cancer death rate in the United States has declined. According to the American Cancer Society, early prevention and treatment are credited with the decrease. In addition, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved Gardasil, the first cancer vaccine, in June. The vaccine protects against cervical cancer, the second most common cancer in women.



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HAWKING HONORED

Physicist Stephen Hawking has joined an elite circle which includes Charles Darwin, Albert Einstein and Louis Pasteur by receiving the Copley medal for his work in theoretical physics and cosmology. Hawking, a mathematics professor at the University of Cambridge, has produced groundbreaking work on defining and gaining a greater understanding of black holes. The Copley medal of scientific achievement was first awarded by the Royal Society in Britain in 1731.



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NEW MEANING FOR IRON STOMACH

Based on Dr. Martin Wikham's model, scientists constructed the world's first artificial stomach out of materials able to withstand corrosive acids and enzymes found in the human gut. The device may help in the development of super-nutrients that could fool the stomach into triggering a "full" response. Dr. Wikham's artificial stomach incorporates the physiological elements of digestion including the contractions that break up food and move it along, just like human digestion. "It is so realistic that it can even vomit," adds Wickham.

SPIDERS HELP HUMANS HEAL

Scientists found that spider silk could be used to create fine sutures for surgeries, particularly to repair injuries to nerves or eyes without scarring. Researchers at Tufts University also discovered that spider webs could be used for regenerating ligaments in common knee injuries such as ruptured ACLs.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY, HUBBLE TELESCOPE

2006 marked sixteen years since the Hubble Space Telescope's launch in 1990. Although sixteen years old is young for humans, it is quite old in telescope years. To celebrate Hubble's sweet

sixteen, NASA and the European Space Agency released Hubble's awe-inspiring photos of Messier 82, a galaxy located 12 million light years away in the constellation Ursa Major.

MICKEY AND FRIENDS SHAPE UP

Disney developed new nutritional guidelines that limit sugar, fat and calories for products that bear a Disney character or logo. As a result, Mickey Mouse, Buzz Lightyear and other Disney friends will no longer appear on packages of sugary cereals, high-calorie snacks and other junk foods. Disney also plans to improve the nutritional value of meals served at its U.S. theme parks.



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SAVING LIVES BY A STRAW

A new invention called the LifeStraw was introduced to provide clean drinking water for those in need. The life saver was designed to work just like a drinking straw: the water passes through the disinfecting resin and bacteria are destroyed on contact. The LifeStraw was ready to help the more than 1 billion people worldwide without clean water to drink.

COMPUTER VISION

A legally blind poet at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology designed a "seeing machine" that allows people with limited vision to see faces, read or study building layouts. The device plugs into a personal computer, uses light-emitting diodes to project images into a person's eye, and grants impaired users the ability to see words or pictures. The device only works for people who have retained some living retina cells.



SCIENCE EXPLAINS YOUR MORNING HAZE

The intense grogginess that you may feel when your morning alarm goes off actually has a scientific definition and name: sleep inertia. According to a study published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, sleep inertia can cloud the brain even more than a total lack of sleep. This common condition can affect any healthy human by limiting the ability to think clearly.



LADY LIBERTY GOES GREEN

The Statue of Liberty's exterior is green due to the oxidation of her copper, but she's become "green" all the way through. Lady Liberty's torch is now lit by environmentally friendly "green" power generated from windmills. You won't see a windmill if you pay the Lady a visit—the windmills are located in Pennsylvania, and their power is pumped into a national energy grid. The government then taps into the energy grid to buy the power.



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CHEW ON THIS

Researchers at Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital in California found that patients who underwent abdominal surgery and chewed sugarless gum spent less time in the hospital. Since most abdominal surgeries delay or halt intestinal function, patients who chewed gum helped their systems return to normal functioning.

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BACTERIA DEFENDERS

A tooth-friendly strain of the bacteria *L. anti-caries* (found in

yogurt), proved to be helpful—it prevented decay from sticking to tooth surfaces by forcing decay to clump together. Based on this information, developers worked to create new products such as chewing gum, toothpaste and mouthwash. Researchers also planned to test the special bacteria's effectiveness against the odor-producing bacteria that dwell in underarms and feet.

IT WAS A BIG YEAR FOR ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS! HERE'S JUST A FEW OF THE COOLEST DISCOVERIES:

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Dig Site: Pensacola, Fla.
Ancient Find: Rare Spanish ship that could date to the mid-1500s, when the first Spanish settlement was founded in the U.S., was uncovered by a Navy construction crew.

Dig Site: Luxor, Egypt
Ancient Find: A coffin thought to belong to the mother of King Tut was discovered in the KV63 tomb. The painted face depicted on the coffin cover resembles the legendary Egyptian Pharaoh.



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Dig Site: Sofia, Bulgaria
Ancient Find: Six-inch gold and platinum dagger that is believed to be 5,000 years old—found with 500 tiny golden rings.

GOING WHERE NO WOMAN HAS GONE BEFORE....

Iranian-born U.S. businesswoman Anousheh Ansari became the first female space tourist on September 18, when she blasted off on a Russian Soyuz rocket. Ansari joined Russian cosmonaut Mikhail Tyurin and U.S. astronaut Miguel Lopez-Alegria for a 10-day trip to the International Space Station. It is rumored that Ansari paid at least \$20 million for her space adventure.



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ROVERS STILL ROVING

NASA's two Martian rovers, Spirit and Opportunity, have now been roaming the planet for four years—12 times longer than initially expected. The rovers' list of accomplishments includes finding evidence that water once drenched a region on Mars, locating metallic meteorites, and analyzing rock layers to determine Martian environmental changes. The two rovers have returned over 169,000 images to Earth for study and research.

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POLAR BEARS ON THIN ICE

Higher average air and water temperatures caused sea ice to shrink—bad news for the polar bears. U.S. Secretary of the Interior Dirk Kempthorne expressed concerns that the polar bears' environment may literally be melting. The bears rely on the ice to hunt for food, and the decrease in arctic ice has resulted in a possible threatened species classification for polar bears.



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MANATEES ON THE MOVE

Manatees are an endangered species that prefer the warm, coastal waters from Alabama to South Carolina. However, they have been sighted along the East Coast all the way up to Rhode Island. Three wayward manatees were captured in Jacksonville, Fla., and taken to Sea World Orlando after their capture. They were given "milkshakes" consisting of gruel and monkey chow during their recuperation.



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UNDERWATER VEHICLE EXPLORES THE DEPTHS

Scientists at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in Massachusetts built an underwater vehicle that transported explorers to depths of 6,500 meters (21,320 feet). By diving to these new depths, explorers were able to explore more than 99 percent of the Earth's sea floor.



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SUMMER SHAKE-UP

In May 2006, a 6.2 magnitude earthquake occurred on the Indonesian island of Java, leaving

over 6,000 dead, more than 36,000 people injured and an estimated 1.5 million people homeless. In July, a second major quake with a 7.7 magnitude occurred in the Indian Ocean near Java. Approximately 668 lives were lost in the quake and over 9,000 people were treated for injuries.



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BEE STING TREATMENT ALL THE BUZZ

Bee venom has been an ancient folk remedy for 3,000 years in China. Today, it is still in use as part of traditional Chinese medicine. Doctors claim bee sting remedies are useful to prevent limb amputations and treat arthritis, back pain and rheumatism. However, since practitioners cannot explain exactly how the bee venom works, Western doctors are hesitant to prescribe the buzz.



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BIRD IS THE WORD

A psychology researcher at the University of California-San Diego trained starlings to tell the difference between a regular birdsong "sentence" and a song that contains a second sentence. After a month of training and about 15,000 training attempts, 9 of 11 songbirds could pick out the song with extra warbling at least 90 percent of the time. Maybe having a bird brain isn't so bad after all!



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FOREST FIRE UNCOVERS TREASURE

Although forest fires cause damage and devastation, they can also

reveal valuable glimpses into the past. After a fire that burned for nearly a month in the Los Padres National Forest north of Los Angeles, fire crews found an abandoned gold mining camp and an adobe homestead dating back to the 1880s.

WORLD'S OLDEST DIES

Maria Esther de Capovilla, the world's oldest person, died in her native Ecuador in August 2006. Maria was 116 years old. We may be seeing people live longer lives, like Maria, in the near future. Life expectancy rates in the United States have increased to an average 77.6 years—13 more years than the world life expectancy rate.



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WEATHER EXTREMES

Summer heat waves in California, windstorms that spawned heavy rains and flash floods in the Southeast, extended drought in Texas, crippling snowstorms in the Plains, and killer winds across Europe were all closely correlated with rising greenhouse-gas emissions, or global warming. In response, a United Nations commission evaluated global warming and its impact around the world based on health, agriculture and the economy.



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RED SEA SPLIT

The Red Sea was formed during a 30-million-year rifting

process between Africa and Arabia. Satellite images show the Arabian tectonic plate and the African plate are on the move away from each other. The movement is due to a series of earthquakes that occurred in September along the East African Rift in Afar, Ethiopia. Several million years from now, the long-term rifting process could cause this split to eventually create a huge, new sea. For now, scientists can monitor the rupture in real (slow) time from satellites.

WORMS AT WORK

Employees in the Los Angeles public works building hardly noticed their new co-workers. The sign above their work area read, "Quiet Please. Worms at Work." California encourages employees to bring worms to work so that the slimy laborers can chew up apple cores, sandwich scraps and other lunch leftovers to produce compost. Employees were invited to take the compost for use as an all-natural fertilizer in their gardens and on houseplants.



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DIGGING DEEP

After 40 years, scientists finally managed to make significant progress with the Integrated Ocean Drilling Program (IODP). The researchers managed to drill nearly a

mile into the middle of the Atlantic Ocean along the Mid-Atlantic Ridge to collect the first-ever samples of each crust layer. These samples will provide valuable information on the composition of the Earth and help scientists determine if remote sensing tools have accurately described the Earth's complex layers.



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PLUTO A PLANET NO MORE

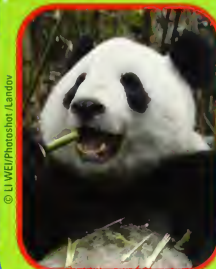
Leading astronomers developed a new definition of planet that removed Pluto from the planetary line-up. Pluto was reclassified as a Dwarf planet because, unlike Earth and the seven other planets, it has not cleared the area in its orbit of other large objects.



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PANDA BABY BOOM

A record 30 surviving giant pandas were born at zoos and breeding centers around the world in



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2006, including the rare birth of twins at a zoo in western Japan. Natural reproduction is rare among pandas in captivity. Only an estimated 1,600 to 3,000 giant pandas remain in the wild today, with 185 living in captivity.

BIONIC CAT EYES TO THE RESCUE

Dr. Kristina Narfstrom's bionic cat eyes made strides to help reverse the damage that retinitis pigmentosa, an inherited retina disease that results in blindness, can cause to human eyesight. Dr. Narfstrom began by creating special silicon chips that were implanted in the eyes of partially blind cats. Since the structures of cat and human eyes are similar, Dr. Narfstrom could enhance the chips' performance by studying how

the chips help the cats' vision improve. The chips have shown encouraging results by improving human eyesight or at least slowing the progression of retinitis pigmentosa.



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ENVIRONMENT ■ KIDS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT ■ KID



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Chance Ruder - Chance doesn't view being a kid as a disadvantage to being heard; he can relate to his audience members and show them that conservation matters. Chance has taught Conservation at Camp Sea World since he was 7 years old. He works with his brother, Josh Ruder, to create kid-friendly wildlife documentaries as well. You can learn more about Chance's efforts at www.chanceruder.com.

Melissa Poe - Melissa has been an outspoken environmentalist since she was 9 years old and she's served as a role model for other kids. She is founder of the world's largest youth-led environmental organization, Kids for a Clean Environment (Kids F.A.C.E.), which has a growing membership of over 300,000 members. Melissa has traveled the world to share her urgent message of environmental importance.

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**COMING TO AMERICA**

British "royalty" is making its way to the West Coast. Soccer superstar David Beckham and wife Victoria "Posh Spice" Beckham will be making the move stateside. David Beckham will join the L.A. Galaxy soccer team for a reported \$250 million over the next five years; it is the highest salary any player has earned in sports history.

MIAMI HEATS UP NBA FINALS

Dwyane Wade delivered a victory and the NBA championship title for the Miami Heat in a 95-92 win over the Dallas Mavericks. Wade scored 36 points and 10 rebounds in the playoff final, leading the Heat to its first title in franchise history.



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ROGER FEDERER TRIUMPHS

Roger Federer joined the elite ranks of Bjorn Borg, Ivan Lendl and Pete Sampras by becoming the fourth player to win the men's International Tennis Federation's world champion title for the third year in a row. Federer won three Grand Slam titles: the Australian Open, Wimbledon and the U.S. Open. He won 13 titles overall with an impressive 99-5 record.



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MICKELSON CAPTURES GREEN JACKET

Phil Mickelson claimed his second green jacket with a 2006 Masters victory. Mickelson won by two strokes to beat indomitable golf champs such as Tiger Woods, Fred Couples and Vijay Singh.



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HURRICANES BLOW OVER OILERS

The Carolina Hurricanes beat the Edmonton Oilers in a 4-3 series to capture the team's first Stanley Cup title. Captain Rod Brind Amour was proud to bring the title home for Hurricanes fans after the team's second trip to the finals.



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**JUSTINE IS SUPREME**

Justine Henin-Hardenne claimed the advantage over Amelie Mauresmo to win the women's International Tennis Federation award for the second time. She reached all four Grand Slam finals and won the French Open. The 24-year-old also won a tour-high six titles, including the season-

ending WTA championships to finish Number 1.

BOWL OF SUPER FIRSTS

Super Bowl XLI was a game that will go down in history as a game of firsts. Quarterback Peyton Manning and the Indianapolis Colts beat the Chicago Bears 29-17 in the first Super Bowl that was played in the pouring rain. Manning was voted Most Valuable Player and earned his first championship ring, while Tony Dungy was the first African American coach to win a Super Bowl title. It was the Colts' first Super Bowl win since the move to Indianapolis; the team's last Super Bowl victory was in 1970 when they played in Baltimore.



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ITALY CAPTURES WORLD CUP

The World Cup was action-packed—France team captain Zinedine Zidane was withdrawn from the game with a red card violation for an illegal action against Italy defender Marco Materazzi. Then Italy went on to beat France and win the 2006 World Cup after a 1-1 draw and a 5-3 shootout. The game's soccer ball sold at auction for a shocking \$2.4 million.



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SOCCER SUPERSTAR

Brazilian midfielder Marta was voted the FIFA Women's Player of the Year and U.S. forward Kristine Lilly finished second. Marta led the voting for the women's award with 475 points; Lilly followed with 388 and German Renate Lingor came in third place with 305 points.



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SHOCK ROCKS!

The Detroit Shock claimed their second WNBA title over the Sacramento Monarchs in an 80-75 win. Deanna Nolan scored 24 points and was named Finals MVP. Katie Smith, all-time leading scorer in women's pro basketball history, scored 17 points.



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X GAMES ■ X GAMES ■ X GAMES ■ X GAMES ■ X GAMES



Travis Pastrana thrilled spectators by doing a double back-flip with his 200-pound motorcycle. In the 12-year history of the Summer X Games, there has never been a stunt like it. Pastrana clinched the Moto X Freestyle for the sixth time with his daring trick.

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Skateboarder
Bucky Lasek

earned his first X Games gold with his smooth delivery of a frontside cab varial heelflip. The trick's name sounds intense, but seeing its execution was even better.



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A bold double flair (back-flip into a corkscrew) by BMXer Kevin Robinson earned him the gold in the BMX Freestyle Vert Best Trick. It was the first gold win for three-time bronze medalist Robinson.

ON TOP OF THEIR GAME

Golf Writer's Association of America has named Tiger Woods as Player of the Year. No one can touch Tiger on the pro tour, and only Jack Nicklaus ranks higher on the all-time majors list. Woods has claimed 55 PGA Tour titles. Lorena Ochoa snapped up the women's title as the LPGA's Player of the Year with six wins and the Vare Trophy award. Ochoa broke Annika Sorenstam's run of five straight Player of the Year awards. She has also been named Mexican Female Athlete of the Year.



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JOHNSON REACHES
ULTIMATE GOAL

Jimmie Johnson captured his racing dream with his long-awaited win of the NASCAR Nextel Cup. After just barely missing the championship for three seasons, Johnson was due. He made one of his best runs in history to win his deserved title.



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IDITAROD
CHAMPION
HAS NO FEAR

Rachael Scodris of Bend, Ore., finished Alaska's Iditarod endurance challenge at the young age of 21.

Finishing the Iditarod is an astounding accomplishment for any athlete—according to the race spokesman, more people have climbed up Mount Everest than have finished the Iditarod. The dog sled race begins in Anchorage and ends after spanning 1,150 icy miles across Alaska to Nome. Rachael's accomplishment was not only impressive due to her young age, but also because she is legally blind.

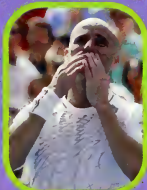
SPORTS GREATS RETIRE

Tennis champ Andre Agassi put away his racket after more than two decades on the court. During his career, Agassi totaled 60 titles that included 8 Grand Slam wins and an Olympic gold medal in 1996. Legendary Formula One and seven-time

World Champ racecar driver Michael Schumacher also retired. Hockey great Steve Yzerman retired this year, along with his #19 Detroit Red Wings jersey. Yzerman served as captain for 20 straight seasons, the longest such streak in NHL history, and led the team to Stanley Cup titles in 1997, 1998 and 2002.



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COURAGEOUS
DERBY WINNER

Barbaro, the winner of the Kentucky Derby and a heavy favorite for winning the Triple Crown, captured the hearts of Americans in 2006. The previously undefeated champion's racing career came to an abrupt halt during the Preakness Stakes

when his leg was broken in three places. The brave equine underwent surgery and put up a spirited fight that sadly ended in January 2007.

CARDINALS' CELEBRATION

The St. Louis Cardinals swooped into the playoffs the last day of the regular season and scored a big win. In Game 5, they beat the Detroit Tigers with a 4-2 win. Pitcher Jeff Weaver was described by Cardinals manager Tony La Russa as the game's biggest hero, which contributed to the Cardinals' tenth World Series title.



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CHART TOPPERS

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AMERICAN IDOL WINNERS SHINE

Carrie Underwood and Kelly Clarkson were both big winners at the 34th annual American Music Awards. *American Idol* winner Carrie Underwood was named Favorite New Breakthrough Artist for all music genres. Favorite Female Artist and Favorite Adult Contemporary Artist went to Kelly Clarkson.



GRAMMY GREATS

U2 won Album of the Year for *How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb* and Song of the Year for "Sometimes You Can't Make It On Your Own." John Legend won Best New Artist and Green Day picked up Record of the Year for "Boulevard of Broken Dreams."

CRASHING THE ACADEMY AWARDS

Crash was the winner of three Oscars at the 78th Academy Awards—Best Motion Picture of the Year, Original Screenplay and Achievement in Film Editing. Philip Seymour Hoffman won Best Actor for his role in

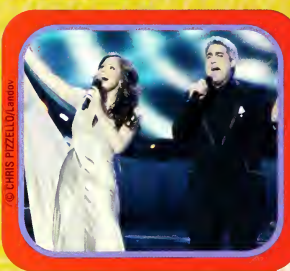


Capote and Reese Witherspoon was awarded Best Actress for her role in *Walk the Line*.



BUBLÉ WINS BIG

Michael Bublé made a big splash at the Canadian Juno Awards show. He won Single of the Year, Pop Album of the Year, Artist of the Year and Album of the Year. Nickelback claimed Group of the Year and Rock Album of the Year.



HICKS IS NEW IDOL

Birmingham, Ala., native Taylor Hicks became the fifth *American Idol* winner, beating out Katharine McPhee of Los Angeles, after more than 63 million votes were tallied. This edition of *Idol* was the most-watched yet, with an average weekly audience of 30.3 million.



SHAKIRA SIZZLES

Colombian singer/songwriter Shakira had a big night at the 7th annual Latin Grammy Awards. She won Album of the

Year, Song of the Year, Record of the Year and Best Female Pop Vocal Album.

WEDDING CHARMERS

The MTV Movie Awards awarded *Wedding Crashers* with Best Movie for 2006. *Batman Begins* and Jake Gyllenhaal won Best Performance for *Brokeback Mountain*.



THE PEOPLE HAVE SPOKEN

For the 33rd annual People's Choice Awards, the public made the call on the nation's favorite movies, music, TV shows and performers. Dr. "McDreamy" a.k.a. Patrick Dempsey won Favorite Male TV Star for his role on *Grey's Anatomy* and Favorite TV Drama also went to *Grey's Anatomy*. Jennifer Aniston was voted Favorite Female Movie Star and country group Rascal Flatts took home awards for Favorite Remake and Favorite Song from a Movie, both for "Life is a Highway" from the movie *Cars*.



Chris Brown was honored with the award of Best New Artist as well as Viewers' Choice at the 6th annual Black Entertainment Television Awards. The Lifetime Achievement Award was given to Chaka Khan and Harry Belafonte was the recipient of the Humanitarian Award.

The Nickelodeon Kids' Choice Awards allowed kids to make the call on who and what ruled 2006. Winners were: *Drake & Josh* (Favorite TV Show), *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* (Favorite Movie), *SpongeBob SquarePants* (Favorite Cartoon) and Lance Armstrong (Favorite Athlete).

Brooks & Dunn dominated at the 40th Country Music Awards show. In addition to winning Vocal Duo of the Year, the pair won Single of the Year, Music Video of the Year and Song of the Year for "Believe." Brad Paisley won Album of the Year and Musical Event of the Year for his duet with Dolly Parton.

Comedy was a big winner at the 58th annual primetime Emmy Awards. Comedy Central's *The Daily Show* with Jon Stewart won Outstanding Variety, Music or Comedy Series and NBC's *The Office* captured the Outstanding Comedy Series title. FOX's *24* was a winner for Outstanding Drama Series.

The 64th Golden Globes was a big night for *Dreamgirls* and *Babel*. *Dreamgirls* won Best Musical or Comedy, and former *American Idol* contestant Jennifer Hudson won Best Supporting Actress. *Babel* won Best Drama and Meryl Streep won Best Actress for her role in *The Devil Wears Prada*.

British singer James Blunt won Best Male Video for "You're Beautiful" at the MTV Video Music Awards. Beyoncé, Gnarlz Barkley, Pink and Fall Out Boy also took home awards.

Teens called the shots at the Teen Choice Awards. Fall Out Boy won Choice Music: Rock Group and Choice Music: Single for "Dance, Dance." *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest*, *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*, *She's the Man* and *Red Eye* were all winners in the Choice Movie categories for Action Adventure, Drama, Comedy and Thriller. Adam Sandler captured the popularity vote for a Choice Comedian win.

According to Billboard ratings, the top songs of 2006 were *Bad Day* by Daniel Powter (1), *Temperature* by Sean Paul (2), *Promiscuous* by Nelly Furtado featuring Timbaland (3), *You're Beautiful* by James Blunt (4), *Hips Don't Lie* by Shakira featuring Wyclef Jean (5), *Unwritten* by Natasha Bedingfield (6), *Crazy* by Gnarls Barkley (7), *Ridin'* by Chamillionaire featuring Krayzie Bone (8), *Sexyback* by Justin Timberlake (9) and *Check On It* by Beyoncé featuring Slim Thug (10).

1. Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest
2. Cars
3. X-Men: The Last Stand
4. The Da Vinci Code
5. Superman Returns
6. Ice Age: The Meltdown
7. Happy Feet
8. Over the Hedge
9. Casino Royale
10. Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby

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AL GORE TELLS US THE INCONVENIENT TRUTH

Former Vice President Al Gore and director Davis Guggenheim were behind the Sundance Film Festival hit, *An Inconvenient Truth*. The documentary forced viewers to face the facts about global warming and the danger it poses to our quality of life on this planet.

COURIC SAYS GOODBYE TO TODAY

After 15 years of hosting NBC's *Today* show, Katie Couric left to become the first solo female anchor of a major U.S. network evening newscast. Couric replaced Bob Schieffer, who assumed the anchor chair on a temporary basis, after Dan Rather had stepped down from the *CBS Evening News*.



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NEWBERY MEDAL WINNER

Criss Cross written by Lynne Rae Perkins (Greenwillow Books) was awarded the 2006 Newbery Medal. The



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Newbery Medal was named for eighteenth-century British bookseller John Newbery. It is awarded annually by the Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC), a division of the American Library Association, to the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children.

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HARRY POTTER ENDING?

J.K. Rowling, the British author of the beloved Harry Potter series, revealed the title of the seventh—and reportedly final book in the series. Rowling announced *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* would be available for purchase July 21, 2007.

TALK OF THE YEAR

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APPLE EXPANDS OFFERINGS

Apple took its business to the next level and got seriously competitive with new offerings. Thanks to its Intel Corp. chips, Windows-lovers can run their Mac on the standard Mac operating system or they can load Microsoft Windows onto a Mac computer. Apple also partnered with Nike to create the Nike+iPod Sport Kit; the kit allows the iPod Nano to report workout data based on information gathered from a sensor that is placed in running shoes. Finally, Apple introduced the iPhone, which is planned to redefine the cell phone industry. Apple partnered with America's largest wireless phone company (Cingular), the world's largest email service (Yahoo) and the world's dominant search company (Google) to offer services for its iPhone.



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BOX OFFICE BUSTERS

Although movie ticket sales were reportedly declining, Americans still love their movies and the record-breaking movie openings proved it. *Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest* broke the record for top-grossing opening weekend and top opening day. The movie took in \$135.6

million during its opening weekend and \$55.5 million in the first day alone. *X-Men: The Last Stand* made an impression at the box office as well. The sequel scored a record-breaking holiday opening with \$120.1 million.

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CUDDLY TOYS OF CHOICE

Fisher-Price's T.M.X. Elmo (a.k.a. x-treme Elmo) celebrated ten years of the Elmo phenomenon. T.M.X. Elmo has three tickle spots on chin, tummy or toe, and he falls on the floor, rolls around in giggle fits and stands back up on his feet. Hasbro's Furreal Friends BUTTERSCOTCH pony is over three feet tall and can carry up to 80 pounds. BUTTERSCOTCH is also animated; she wiggles her ears, blinks her eyes, swishes her tail, whinnies, snorts and sniffs.



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OUT WITH THE OLD, IN WITH THE NEW

As Ford retired its legendary Taurus in 2006, new bestselling vehicles filled its void. The Taurus earned its rank as the second highest selling car in U.S. history (second only to the original Model T Ford). Yet, Toyota now reigns supreme in the U.S. with its Motor Trend Car of the Year, the 2007 Camry. Toyota also offers a hybrid version of the 2007 Camry to satisfy the recent consumer demand for hybrid vehicles. U.S. hybrid car sales are projected to rise to 1 million cars sold annually by 2010.



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GOOGLE GAINS YOUTUBE

Google Inc. purchased YouTube, the video-sharing website, for \$1.65 billion. The all-stock deal was Google's most expensive purchase ever. Shortly after Google purchased it, YouTube was honored as *Time* magazine's "Invention of the Year" for 2006.



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OPRAH JOINS THE XM TEAM

September 25 marked the debut of Oprah Winfrey's new XM Satellite Radio network, *Oprah and Friends*. Oprah and a variety of contributors will be featured on the 24-hour XM station. With the addition of Oprah, XM Radio hopes to remain competitive with the other satellite radio giant, Sirius.



HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL ROCKS AUDIENCES

It was not just a movie—it was a complete sensation. *High School Musical* became a runaway hit for The Disney Channel. The movie set a network record for the number of viewers that tuned in for its premiere and was the month's top-rated non-sports cable broadcast. The movie's raging popularity sparked the creation of a top-selling soundtrack; a record-breaking single, "Breaking Free"; frenzied DVD sales; a movie sequel; and a 40-city High School Musical tour.



BABY, WHAT'S YOUR NAME?

According to the more than 350,000 BabyCenter members, the top baby names of 2006 were: Emma for girls and Aiden for boys. Also popular for girl names were Madison (2), Ava (3), Emily (4) and Isabella (5). For boys, Jacob (2), Ethan (3), Ryan (4) and Matthew (5) topped the list.

NINTENDO THRILLS GAMERS WITH WII

Nintendo's newest gaming system, the Wii (pronounced "we"), became available to eager crowds on November 19. The Wii sets itself apart from the Xbox 360 and Sony PlayStation 3 with its motion-sensitive remote, which allows players to swing a baseball bat or slice a sword by moving the remote appropriately. Nintendo hailed the Wii as a sales success and reported that it sold more than 600,000 consoles in the first eight days in the North American market.



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FINAL ENDING

2006 meant the series finale for many top-rated TV shows. *Will & Grace* took its final bows alongside *The West Wing*, *That '70s Show*, *Alias*, *Malcolm in the Middle*, and *Charmed*. All six shows lasted at least five seasons.



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BELOVED CROCODILE HUNTER WILL BE MISSED

He became famous for handling some of the world's most dangerous creatures—crocodiles, snakes, and spiders. Steve Irwin, an Australian naturalist and television personality, died unexpectedly when he was struck in the chest by a stingray's barb while filming a documentary in the Great Barrier Reef.



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PLAY-DOH IS 50!

It's been 50 years since Play-Doh was invented by scientists at a Cincinnati, Ohio, cleaning company in 1956. The scientists were trying to invent wallpaper cleaner and created Play-Doh instead. Since its invention, over 900 million pounds of Play-Doh have been made!



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BARKER BLACK SHOES

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MY FAVES

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TV Show: _____

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MY BUDS

WHO THEY ARE:

WHAT WE LIKE TO DO:

**HOW THEY WOULD
DESCRIBE ME:**

MY CASH

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Football • \$19.99

Bubblegum
\$0.99/pack



Movie Ticket
\$8.00

Crocs • \$29.99



Bottle of Soda
\$1.25

MY dreams

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MY FAMILY WILL CONSIST OF:

MY PETS WILL BE:

MY CAR WILL BE:

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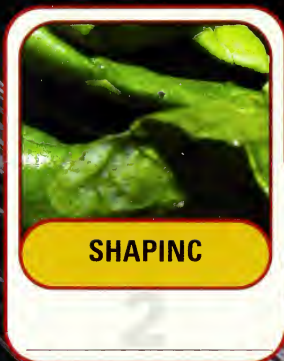
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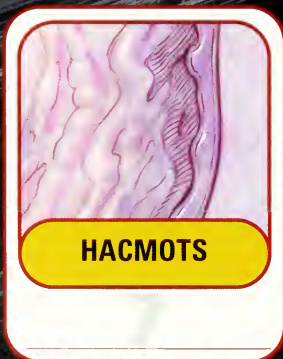
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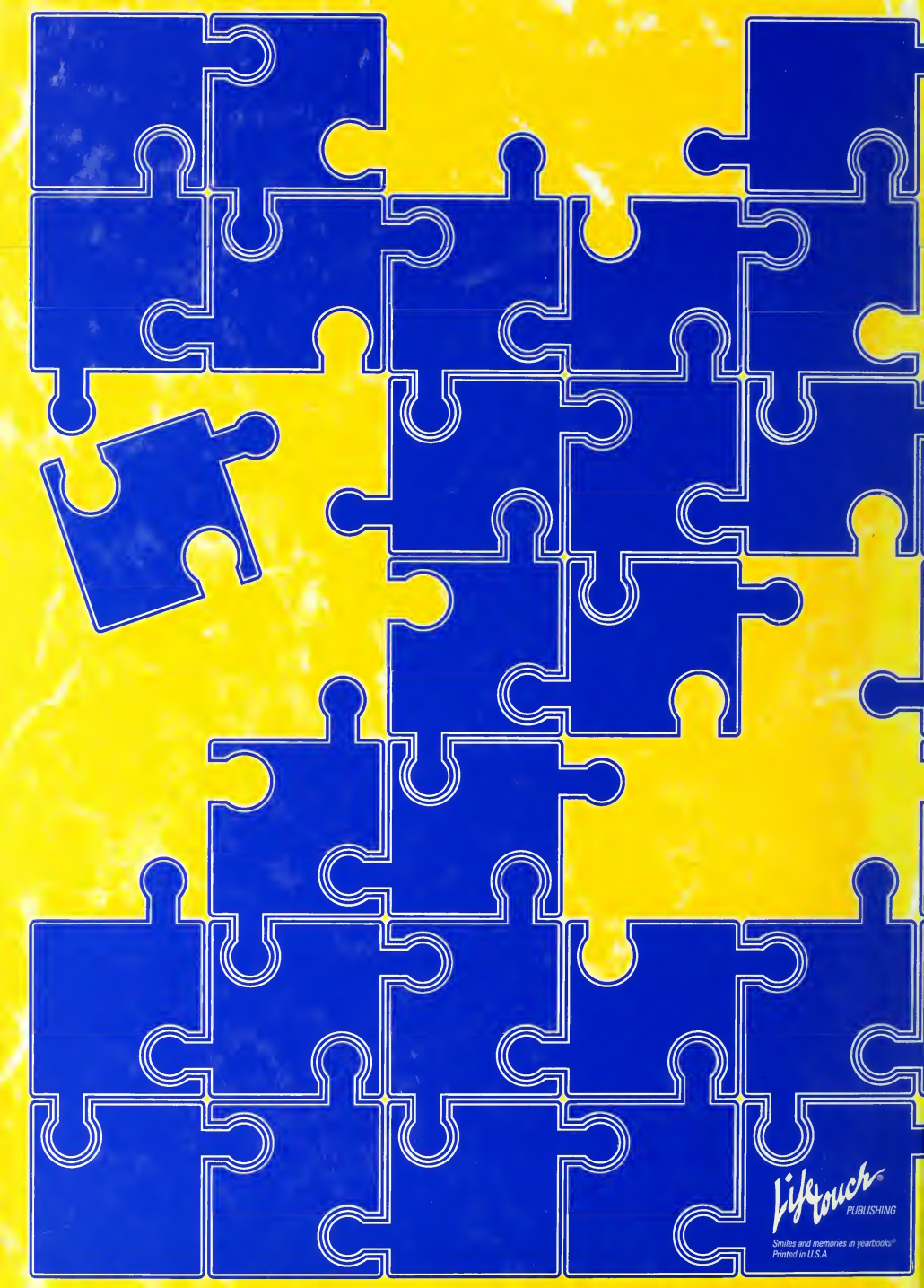
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